

THE WEATHER

Toronto, Jan. 4.—An important disturbance in the southwest states is centered tonight over Michigan, causing strong winds with rain and snow throughout Ontario. The weather has been fair and cold in Eastern Quebec and the Maritime Provinces and decidedly cold in Manitoba.

St. John... 24 18
Dawson... 6 25
Prince Rupert... 26 40
Victoria... 38 40
Vancouver... 32 36
Calgary... 23 23
Edmonton... 16 10
P. ince Albert... 22 0
Medicine Hat... 10 23
Regina... 25 11
Winnipeg... 24 13
Port Arthur... 24 12
White River... 18 12
Parry Sound... 16 20
London... 17 44
Toronto... 24 34
Kingston... 6 26
Ottawa... 2 14
Montreal... 0 14
Quebec... 4 14
Halifax... 6 15
Below zero.

AROUND THE CITY

FIREMEN'S RELIEF

The St. John Firemen's Relief Association has received a cheque for twenty-five dollars from C. E. L. Jarvis & Son, in recognition for the work the firemen performed at a recent blaze in the company's premises on Prince William street.

TO DISCUSS HYDRO.

Arrangements have been made for a further conference on hydro matters to be held in the Mayor's office on Friday morning. Besides the Mayor and commissioners, the meeting will be attended by Premier Foster and members of the New Brunswick Electric Power Commission, and R. A. Ross, consulting engineer for the city.

THE LOOP CARS.

P. W. Thomson, general manager of the New Brunswick Power Co., said yesterday that the street cars on the West Side loop would likely be in operation in about two weeks. The resumption of their operation has been delayed owing to some repairs being made to the generators at the power station.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

Notice has been sent out by the Municipal Council that all estimates for 1922 must be in the hands of the county secretary before next Friday. It is anticipated that a meeting of the finance committee will be held on Wednesday morning next week to consider the appropriations for the current year.

THE STREET CARS.

It has been announced that the West St. John Street Cars will not stop at the Acadia and Harrison Street stops to take up and let down passengers, for the fact that these cars are filled with passengers and it takes a lot of power to start loaded cars on these Main Street hills.

WEEK OF PRAYER.

The Week of Prayer services were held last night as follows: Group No. 1, St. Mary's, speaker, Rev. H. E. Thomas; group No. 2, St. David's, speaker, Rev. E. E. Styles; group No. 3, St. Luke's, speaker, Rev. H. B. Clarke; group No. 4, St. George's, annual meeting of the Bible Society.

QUEEN SQUARE LOOP.

Speaking of the West St. John Queen Square Loop the St. John Public Service News says that the city sent their engineer to look the Rodney wharf over and the Power Company had its track master also look it over, with the result that a third party had to be called in. It looks as if the wharf requires considerable repairs and until this is done it would not be safe to run the car. In the meantime the breakdown of the street railway engine prevents the car being started.

SCHOONER RELEASED.

The schooner Kiaz De-blef, which was seized at Five Fathom Hole, Musquash, some time ago by customs officials for alleged violation of the customs regulations, and which has been under guard at Rodney Slip since that time, was released Tuesday, as the captain and the owner paid the penalty which was imposed by the department for the offence. The schooner is now lying in Market Slip. An automobile, owned by Pope D. McKinnon, which was seized with a load of liquor some time ago, and which was held by the customs authorities, is still in their hands.

AN EXCELLENT JOB.

An excellent piece of cabinet work, turned out by the men in the Memorial Shops is now in the Mayor's office. It is a large case of oak and glass, built to cover the big Rosamond memorial trophy, which was won last year by Harry Glegg. The cabinet opens from the back and has an extension on which the trophy, mounted on an oak base with rollers attached, can be pulled out when removal is necessary, thus obviating any danger of damaging the case when the heavy cup is lifted from it. The Mayor is justifiably proud of the workmanship exhibited in the building of the cabinet.

Baptist Women's Missionary Union

Quarterly Meeting of Executive Held Yesterday and Will be Continued Today.

The quarterly meeting of the executive of the United Baptist Women's Missionary Union convened last night in the German street institute, the president, Mrs. W. G. Clark of Fredericton in the chair. Sessions will be held this morning and afternoon.

Reports were received from the general treasurer, the corresponding secretary, the mission hand treasurer and from several committees and all were of a most encouraging nature.

The report of the corresponding secretary dealt with the work on the field in India and Bolivia. Among the disbursements reported by the treasurer were two specials, one of \$3,000 for evangelists and teachers in India and \$500 for Tinspary school. Other amounts were \$1,300 for the extension of the school buildings at Bobli and a sum for a home for Bible women and teachers at the same place. Amounts were also voted for English and non-English work in Western Canada, Grand Linge Mission and Maritime Home Missions.

St. John Hockey Team To Fredericton

Will Cross Sticks With Marysville Team at the Capital This Evening.

The St. John hockey team, who are to represent this city in the New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Amateur Hockey Association, leave today for Fredericton where they will cross sticks with Marysville in the opening game of the western section of the league tonight.

The boys have adopted a uniform somewhat similar to the famous Canadians of the National Hockey League, and like the "Flying Frenchmen," will probably be dubbed the "Blue Shirts," the sweaters and stockings they have selected being blue and white. The probable lineup of the team will be: Goal, Drury McAllister, formerly of U. N. B.; defense, Payne, formerly of Campbellton, and Fraser, who played with the local team last season. The forwards will be Jim Gilbert, Peter Mooney, C. Bourdon, Jeddou, formerly of Mount Allison, W. MacGowan, E. Doody and B. Mooney. The boys will play Fredericton at Fredericton tomorrow night.

Empress of Britain On Two Cruises

William Webber, Gen'l Agent C. P. R. Ocean Traffic, Will Go on Southern Trip.

William Webber, general agent of the Canadian Pacific Railway (Ocean Traffic) at Atlantic ports, will leave for Montreal Friday evening to make arrangements to accompany the S. S. Empress of Britain on her two cruises to the West Indies, Panama, Venezuela and Windward Islands. The first cruise is to leave New York on January 21 and the second on February 21. Mr. Webber is to make a personal study of the places he visits and will also look after all excursions to points of interest enroute. This will be the second extensive trip Mr. Webber has had within the last few months. Prior to coming to St. John to look after ocean traffic at the opening of the season he completed a trip through Canada and to many of the large centres in the United States in the interests of the C. P. R. It will be of more than ordinary interest for Mr. Webber to return to the Empress of Britain as he served on that large liner for three years as purser prior to his appointment in 1916 to the passenger ocean traffic department.

During Mr. Webber's absence D. J. Cable will be in charge of the local port work in connection with the arrival and departure of all passengers on Canadian Steamship Ltd. liners.

THE FIRE LOSS

The loss on the McLean-Holt foundry was yesterday given as \$20,000 by J. L. McAvity, president of the company.

R.M.S.P. Chignecto In From Bermuda

Steamer Had Rough Voyage to St. John and Docked Late Yesterday Afternoon.

The Royal Mail Steam Packet Chignecto, arrived in port yesterday from Bermuda and docked at McLeod wharf about five o'clock. Her total passenger list was twenty, comprising nine first, four second and seven third class passengers; the majority of whom were naval ratings. The general cargo was not very heavy.

The Chignecto, which is in charge of Commander W. H. Parker, experienced a very rough voyage all the way from Bermuda to St. John. The cargo being very light, the steamer was not able to make much headway against the heavy seas and wind. Nothing of unusual import happened during the trip.

The list of officers includes: R. S. Gillanders, chief officer; C. L. Waterhouse, second officer; P. Alex. Smith, purser; J. Atcherley, surgeon; A. E. Calver, chief engineer; T. V. Humphreys, second engineer; S. Prickett, chief steward.

East St. John House Destroyed By Fire

An Unoccupied Dwelling Owned by Frank E. Jones Was Burned to the Ground Last Evening.

A new wooden dwelling, the property of Frank E. Jones, and situated on Park avenue, East St. John, was completely destroyed by fire last evening.

The flames were first observed at about 7.30, on the first floor in the vicinity of the kitchen. The house, which was built about two years ago, had been unoccupied for some time, and when neighbors arrived it was found that the flames had gained too great a headway to be checked. Fortunately there was nothing in the house so that the damage was confined to the building alone.

According to one of the nearby residents, the house was visited during the afternoon, and a light was observed in the house about a half an hour before the fire was discovered, and it may have been that the dwelling was on fire at that time.

Mr. Jones stated last night that he was unable to say what had been the cause of the blaze, or what the loss would amount to.

Preparations For The Championships

Engineers at Work Laying Out Eight Lap Track on Lily Lake for Big Events.

The opening date on which the Canadian Amateur Outdoor Swimming Championships are to be held in St. John is coming on apace, and every preparation is being made to see that all details are arranged to assure the success of the premier event in Canadian winter sports.

Yesterday engineers were busy at Lily Lake laying out the big oval shaped track on which the championship races will be skated. The track will be eight laps to the mile, once around for the 220-yard dash, twice for the 440, four times for the 880, mile and so on. The skating track itself will be forty-five feet wide, which will give ample opportunity for the men to speed and swing at their will. Ten feet from the outer rim of the track, an erected a strong fence, inside of which no spectators will be allowed.

This provision while affording a better view for the spectators, will also prevent any interference from the bystanders which the skaters might encounter were this precaution not taken.

The list of officials selected by the Y.M.C.A. physical committee for the handling of the meet will be announced in a few days. Considerable care has been taken to procure thoroughly competent men, as the committee are imbued with the idea of adding new laurels to St. John's reputation as a great sporting centre.

Entries for the big meet close with W. E. Stirling, physical instructor of the Y.M.C.A. on Wednesday next. Local and maritime skaters are extended a hearty invitation, and their entries at the earliest possible date will be greatly appreciated.

The speedy ice men of Chicago are holding an elimination contest this week to decide who will be on the string of entrants from that city.

Local men are being afforded several advantages to train for the meet. Hilton Belyea has offered his sheet of ice and training rooms free to all contestants who visit his open air rink on the West Side.

Mr. Tebo will have charge of preparing the ice and making all things ready on the big speed-ways at Lily Lake, so that all matters would seem to be being in the best order in preparation for the two big days, January 18 and 19.

Holding Meet For The Speed Skaters

Commercial Club Skating Committee Will Hold Meet on East End Rink.

The Amateur Association of the Commercial Club skating committee held a meeting and decided to have a speed meet on the East End Rink on Saturday afternoon, January 14th.

Many readers will immediately think that this meet might interfere with the great Canadian Championships to be held on the Lily Lake the following week. In explanation, the Commercial Club meet is being held to give the local speed skaters a chance. Training alone is alright in its way, but to work out in competition is something different. There are a number of speedsters on the scene here in St. John as well as those who have become better known in the eyes of the public and the events will be well contested. The races will start at 2.30 o'clock and are as follows:— 220 yards, 340 yards; half mile and one mile for seniors. There comes one event for boys under eighteen years of age. Boys under fifteen for a half mile. Boys under twelve at the quarter mile dash.

THE POLICE COURT

Kade Cameron pleaded not guilty, yesterday, to a charge of obstructing Metcalf street extension with snow and rubbish. Joseph Motot, Charles McCaffery, Sergeant Rankine and Policeman Howard all gave evidence of seeing the defendant shovelling snow and rubbish on to the street on Sunday morning. A fine of \$4 was imposed.

Passing Estimates For The Year 1922

City Council Will Soon be at Work—Intention to Keep Expenditure Down.

The city council will soon be at the work of passing estimates for the year 1922, and every commissioner has expressed his intention to keep expenditure down to the smallest possible amount. One commissioner was asked whether he would ask for increased appropriation last year made this year to the reporter: "Young man, the citizens of this city are without exception craving the 'accessional hymn' to Gregorian music," which was rather an intimation that he did not intend to do so.

Last year the estimates passed for the several departments were as follows: Light... \$42,885.93 Public Works... 220,942.23 Police... 108,834.20 Fire... 120,618.12 Sundry... 84,529.50 Interest... 488,939.61

These amounts with some additional sums for interest and salaries in the harbor and harbor departments made up the warrant for 1921. Last year the amount for sewers and hydrants, \$50,000, was taken from general assessment and charged to the water and sewerage department. If this item is returned to general assessment this year that will make the tax rate that much higher. The item for interest will be considerably higher, as a large amount of bonds were issued during the year just closed.

Cases Dealt With In Police Court

Edward O'Toole Committed to Trial on Charge of Stealing a Coat—Dog Case Finished

In the police court yesterday morning, Edward O'Toole was committed on a charge of stealing a coat valued at \$30 from Max Lambert. Mr. Lambert testified that he had hung the coat outside his store, 45 Dock street at 3.30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. At 6.40 o'clock, upon receiving a message from his brother, he went to the latter's shop on Main street and found the coat and Policeman Lindsay there. He identified the coat produced in court as the one stolen. A coat-hanger, found in an alley near Lambert's store, was also produced. Maurice Lambert told of the accused coming into his store and trying to sell him a coat. The witness recognized the coat as one he had seen in his brother's shop and notified the police. Policeman Lindsay made the arrest.

The accused had nothing to say so the magistrate committed him for trial, warning him that he was liable to a term of from two to seven years in the penitentiary.

In the police court, yesterday afternoon, the magistrate gave his decision in the case of a man named Finley, charged with harboring a dog and not returning it to its owner. His Honor adjudged that the dog belonged to George Nelson, the complainant. He returned Finley from any criminal intent in keeping the dog but, at the same time, held that he had no right to the possession of it.

McIntyre Case In Bankruptcy Court

The case of Peter McIntyre occupied the attention of the Bankruptcy Court all day yesterday and will be resumed again this morning at 10.30 o'clock before Francis Kerr, registrar.

Peter McIntyre and his son, Allen McIntyre, were questioned as to the assets of the McIntyre estate. Questions on direct examination were asked concerning statements submitted to the creditors last year, one in September, which represented the assets as being \$69,000, and one in November when assets were shown to be only \$38,000. The building of the schooner Adia McIntyre was said to have cost \$65,000 and the Peter McIntyre, \$83,000, while the sale of the schooners Harold B. Cousins, Wm. D. Marvell and Mary A. Hall was said to have netted \$28,000 which with \$47,000 borrowed from the Provincial Bank went towards the building of the newer vessels.

Dr. F. R. Taylor, K. C., appeared for the trustee, J. A. Ralston of Halifax, and K. A. Wilson for some of the creditors opposing the compromise offered. W. M. Ryan for the Provincial Bank, and J. S. Pitt for Spence and Company, and W. H. Harrison for Peter McIntyre, Allen McIntyre and James Lewis.

St. Andrew's Club Play Hampton

Skips Chosen For Match to be Curled This Month—Several New Members Elected.

At the regular weekly meeting of the St. Andrew's Curling Club held Tuesday evening the following new members were elected: J. Roy, S. A. Thomas, J. H. Driscoll, L. McIntyre, H. J. Sullivan, H. W. Hoana, H. A. Marvin.

Skips elected to play against Hampton this month are: W. B. Tennant, F. W. Coombs, Dr. A. H. Morrell, Dr. F. G. Sancton.

The match committee are now making up rinks for the Jones Cup and some other games.

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Fight for More Business in 1922. Strengthen Your Business "Morale". Soldiers know what it means when an army's "morale" is shattered. The fighting spirit is gone, the men invite defeat. What is true of military forces, is true of some industrial armies. At the first serious jolt their morale weakens — hope flies, courage disappears—their fighting spirit is lost. There is no place in business today for the "calamity howler." He is drawing salary under false pretences. More distressing still, he is weakening the "morale" of other workers, and of the business itself. Strengthen your business morale. Take stock of your men as well as your goods. Retain enthusiastic, profitable workers even at a temporary loss. Venture into new fields for new business in 1922. While it is idle to prophesy, authorities agree that the position of this country at the beginning of 1922 is an enviable one. Business is awakening to the renewed possibilities of a country increasing in population and commercial importance. Tell the story of your business in The St. John Standard. Advertise — Create Sales — Stimulate Trade.

PERSONALS. Edmundston, are the guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Vanwart, 53 Albert street. E. L. McQuade has returned to Halifax to resume his medical studies at Dalhousie after visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McQuade. Miss Irene McQuade left Tuesday for Montreal, where she will take up the study of nursing at the Montreal General Hospital. Miss Anna McCallan, accompanied by her little niece, Mary Byrne, has returned home after spending New Year's with relatives in Fredericton and vicinity. Harold Hanson, of Clifton street, West St. John, has returned home after an extended visit to the Old Country. Mr. and Mrs. Michael Corcoran have returned to their home in Hawthorne, Mass., after spending Christmas with Mrs. Corcoran's mother, Mrs. Peter Mahoney, 248 Prince Edward street. Miss Christina Irvine is spending her vacation at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Clark, of Metcalf street. Rev. Dr. J. J. Tompkins, vice-president of St. Francis Xavier University, is in the city. Clifton House, all meals 60.